

CULTURAL FEAST



Victory Day Celebrations

Organiser: Liberation War Museum
Venue: Liberation War Museum, Shégun Bagicha
December 14
Special programme on Martyred Intellectual
Day, music by Chhayana
Time: 5:00pm
December 15
Discussion on 'Narratives of Liberation War by students'
Time: 5:00pm
December 16
Celebration by school students and dance
Time: 10:00am
Staging of the play 'Kotha 71' by Dhaka Padatik
Time: 5:30pm
Organiser: Nazrul Institute
Venue: Nazrul Academy Auditorium
December 14, 04:00pm
Children's Painting Competition
December 15, 10:00am
Children's Nazrul Song Competition
December 16, 04:00pm
Discussion, Distribution of Awards and Cultural Show

Poetry Festival
Title: Muktiuddho o Swadhinotar Kobita Utshab 2006
Organisers: Kabyomalanjoli and Bhashaprokash
Venue: Bhashaprokash, Concord Centre, Katabon and Kabyomalanjoli, Tropical Centre
Date: December 15-21
Time: 3:00pm

Theatre
Play: Khandani Kissa
Troupe: Subochon
Venue: Mahila Samiti Auditorium, Bailey Road (Natak Shoroni)
Date & Time: December 14 at 6:30pm

Tagore Song Soiree
Title: Hoimonic
Artist: Promod Dutt
Organisers: Bengal Music Company Limited
Venue: BIAM Auditorium
Date: December 14
Time: 6:30pm

Recitation and Musical Soiree
Organisers: Bangla Academy
Venue: Nazrul Stage, Bangla Academy
Date: December 16
Time: 5:00pm

6th art Exhibition of Euro-Asia [BD] CEDO
by 19 renowned painters
Venue: Alliance Française de Dacca, 26 Mirpur Road, Dhanmondi
Date: December 14-28
Time: 9:00am-12:00pm and 5:00pm-8:00pm, except Saturdays (only 5:00pm-8:00pm)

Musical Soiree
Artists: Khairul Anam Shakil and Kolpona Anam
Organisers: Amra Surjomukhi
Venue: Public Library Auditorium
Date: December 18
Time: 5:30pm

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Cultural fiesta at Liberation War Museum

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AS part of the ongoing weeklong special programme arranged by Liberation War Museum to observe the Victory Day of Bangladesh, a book launch, recitation and musical soiree were the highlights of the third day (December 12) arrangement.

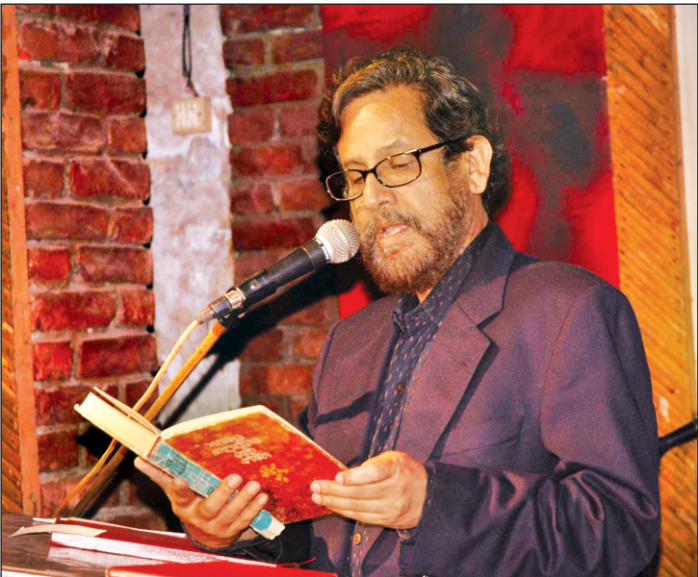
The day's programme began with a welcome speech by Mafidul Haque, a trustee of the museum. Mafidul in his speech said that we

should salvage the undiscovered documents of the Liberation War to acquaint the nation with the history of the War. He sought help from everybody in unearthing the facts.

After his speech, a book titled *Pandulipi 1971* was launched. *Pandulipi 1971* is the facsimile edition of the manuscript of the poems written by poet Shamsur Rahman during November 1970 to February 1971 and again from June to November 1971. The book was launched by Nayana and Deepita,



Mafidul Haque (L) with the two grand daughters (C) of poet Shamsur Rahman at the book launch



An emotionally charged Asaduzzaman Noor recites from Shamsur Rahman's poems

two grand daughters of the poet.

The frustration as well as the enthusiasm of the poet during the Liberation War have been portrayed in the poems.

Later, renowned actor-recitor Asaduzzaman Noor recited three poems by Shamsur Rahman—*Ekhane daroja chhilo, Bandi shibir theke* and *Samson*. Noor's powerful voice modulation captivated the audience.

The last attraction of the evening

was a musical soiree presented by winners of the recently held Bengal Bikash talent hunt programme. Adrita Anwar, Shimu Rani De, Champa Banik, BM Nurul Anwar, Anindita Chowdhury, Halima Parveen and Shafil Alam Raja rendered Tagore song, Nazrul song, folk song and *Teen Kabir Gaan* in the programme.

However, people expected to listen to patriotic songs from the artistes on Victory Day celebrations.

OUR TALENTS

Khan Ataur Rahman: A multifaceted Icon

Khan Ataur Rahman (1928-1997) was a true multifaceted talent. Known as an actor, singer, music composer and film director, his works mirrored the reality of his time. For instance *Abar Tora Manush Haw*, which he directed and produced after the liberation of Bangladesh.

The film depicted the frustration and agitation of the young freedom fighters in post-War Bangladesh. Through the film he transmitted the message that the young ones of the country should get rid of their illegal arms, return to study and devote themselves to nation building. The film won accolades -- the Best Script Award and Certificate of Merit at the Tashkent International Film Festival (1974).

In his role as director, he displayed a forte for folk, historical and contemporary urban stories to make films from. The first film made by Rahman was *Onek Diner Chena* (1963). Altogether he had directed 19 films including *Raja Sanyasi*, *Parash Pathar*, *Shat Bhai Champa*, *Nawab Sirajuddowla*, *Lottery* and *Shujan Shakhi*. He also took on the challenge of directing an Urdu film titled *Soye Nadia Jage Pani*, for which he also composed the music. His last film was *Ekhon Onek Raat*. He was the producer, director, scriptwriter, lyricist and music composer of the film.



Apart from filmmaking, he also acted in some films made by renowned directors. He first featured in the film *Jago Hua Savera* (1956), made by AJ Kadar, in the

lead role opposite Tripti Mitra, a noted Indian actress. *Jago Hua...* was described by critics as "one of the first realistic and experimental films of Pakistan." The film won a

prize at the Moscow film festival. Among his other critically acclaimed performances is Zahir Raihan's *Jibon Thekey Neya*, which documented the ongoing struggles of Bengalis against the Pakistani tyranny during the 'Mass Upsurge' of '69. He also composed music for the film, which became very popular, *E khancha bhangbo ami kamon korey* for example.

That's not all. Rahman wrote lyrics for some songs and composed music for all of them. In the latter category are songs from films *Jey Nadi Moru Pathay*, *Kancher Deyal*, *Sangam* and more. In sum, he wrote over 500 songs, many of which continue to appeal to listeners. To his credit, he also set new trends in lyrics and the style of composition of songs. As a lyricist and music director, Rahman received numerous awards in his lifetime -- for music director in the films *Shurjansan* and *Kancher Deyal* he received the Pakistan Film Festival Award-1965. In 1980 he received best music director's award for music in *Shujan Shakhi*.

Rahman had also made some short films and documentaries and received awards for them. He passed away on January 1, 1997, leaving an irreparable void in the cultural scene of Bangladesh.

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TV Watch

Docudrama'Krishno Gohbor': Memories of Munier Choudhury

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On the occasion of Martyred Intellectuals Day (December 14), ntv will air a docudrama at 6:50pm this evening, titled *Krishno Gohbor* on eminent educationist and dramatist Shaheed Munier

Choudhury, martyred at the fag end of the Liberation War in 1971.

The docudrama is scripted by Manik Manobik and directed by Golam Sohrab Dodul. The work is based on *Smriti: 1971*, a book edited by Rashid Haider and published by Bangla Academy. It

also includes the memories of the martyred intellectuals narrated by family members and colleagues. *Krishno Gohbor* features Shaheed Munier Choudhury's childhood, family life, accomplishments and tragic events of the day he was abducted.



A still from Krishno Gohbor

'Hridoye Ekattur' : Documentary programme on Channel i

Hridoye Ekattur, a documentary programme based on Shaheed Altaf Mahmud's life and times will be aired tonight at 9:35pm on channel i. Written by Selim Al Din, the show is directed by Afzal Hossain.

Mahmud is widely known for his timeless music composition, *Amar Bhaier Rakte Rangano Ekushey February, Ami ki bhulitey pari?* The song, which commemorates the martyrs of the Language Movement, has secured him a unique position in the hearts of the Bangladeshis. He was honoured with several national awards. In addition, he actively supported the Freedom Fighters. This led to his arrest by the Pakistani Army from his residence on August 30, 1971.

The show features the contribution of Mahmud during 1971 and an interview session with the relatives and friends of Shaheed Altaf Mahmud.



A scene from the documentary

The first prize of 'Citycell Let's Move' goes to Nisa



Nisa (2-R) receives the car keys from Chai Hoon Phing, CEO of Pacific Telecom Limited (Bangladesh)

The first prize (a brand new car) of the 23rd episode of *Citycell Let's*

Move went to dancer Sabrina Shafi Nisa. On this occasion, a prize

giving ceremony was held yesterday, at Channel i Building Complex, Tejgaon, says a press release. Chai Hoon Phing, Chief Executive Officer of Pacific Telecom Limited (Bangladesh) handed over the prize to the winner. Faridur Reza Sagar, Managing Director of Channel i, Taslim Ahmed, Assistant Vice-President of Pacific Telecom Limited (Bangladesh), Farzana Brownia, host of the show, Shahidul Alam Sachchu, director of the show, and the entire team of the show attended the ceremony.

Citycell Let's Move, a monthly popular entertainment game show, is currently running on Channel i on the last day of every month at 7:50pm. The programme includes lively, fun-filled games in locations throughout Bangladesh.

TV GUIDE

All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the programme.

News Bulletin

BTV
News Headlines (Bangla) at 8:55 am, 12:10 pm, 2:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 7:00 pm.
News (Bangla) at 8:00 am 1:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 8:00 pm.
News (English) at 3:00 pm, 10:00 pm.
Late Night News (Bangla and English) 11:30 pm. (To be telecast on all Bangla channels).
CHANNEL-i
News (Bangla) at 7:15 am, 9:00am, 2:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm, 10:30pm, 12:15 am.
ATN BANGLA
News (Bangla) at 8:00am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm, 11pm.
News (English) 8:20am, 7:00pm
Latest News (Bangla) at 9:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:00 am, 1:00pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00pm, 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm.
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News Headlines (Bangla) at 10:00 am, 12:00 am, 6:15 pm, 9:30 pm.
News (Bangla) 7:30 am, 2:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:30 pm, 10:30 pm.
CHANNEL 1
News (Bangla) at 8:00am, 12:00pm, 2:30pm, 6:30pm, 7:30pm, 10:00pm, 12:30pm.
BANGLAVISION
News (Bangla) at 8:00am, 2:00pm, 6:00pm, 7:15pm, 10:30pm.
News Headlines (Bangla) at 9:00pm
News Headlines (English) at 9:05pm
RTV
News (Bangla) at 7:00am, 3:00pm, 7:15pm, 10:00pm.
News Headlines (Bangla) at 10:30am

BTV
11:15 Asian Games Highlights
12:30 *Maa O Shishur Kotha*
01:00 *Shukhi Poribar*
02:15 Debate Programme
03:05 Cartoon
03:30 Cookery Show
04:00 *Esho Computer Shikhi*
04:30 *Bansuri*
05:05 *Matri Bhasha*
05:30 *Deshar Gaan*
06:40 *Jiboner Alo*
07:00 *Shangila*
07:30 *Bijoyer Gouroob Gatha*
08:35 Special Programme
09:00 Drama of the week: *Ekti Khoshra Kahini*
10:30 Asian Games Highlights
ATN BANGLA
09:20 Drama Serial: *Shokal Shondha*
10:30 *Anyodishti*
12:15 *Bangla Feature Film*
03:45 *ATN Ranna Ghar Shundor Jiboner Jonno*
04:20 Special Programme: 14 *December Ebong Muktiuddho*
05:45 Islamic Programme
06:20 *Gondhuraj Samsung Cine Aha*

08:00 Drama Serial: *Shokal Shondha*
08:40 Drama Serial: *Koto Chena Koto Ochena*
09:40 Drama Serial: *Chhaya Mukh Lemon Achho 71 ntv*
10:45 *Ajker Shokal*
09:00 *Siddiqua Kabir's Recipe*
09:30 *Ki Kotha Tahar Shatey*
10:05 *Cholochitro Kotha*
10:30 *Dhakar Cinema*
01:05 *Muktangan*
02:35 Drama Serial: *Labonyoprobha*
03:15 Mega Serial: *Rang Er Manush*
03:50 Drama Serial: *Amader Anondo Bari*
04:25 *Uchcharon Guli Shokher*
05:15 *Dindarpan*
05:20 *Smritir Janalay*
06:20 *Shubho Shondhya*
06:50 *Krishno Gohabor*
08:25 *Megh Bolechhe Jabo Jabo*
09:00 Glamour World
10:00 Drama Serial: *Bishkhoy Dindarpan*
11:25 **Rtv**
08:00 *Ei Shokal*
09:05 *Aj Potrikay*
09:30 *Shaptahik Adda*

10:00 Drama Serial: *Kagojer Manush*
10:30 Tagore Song
11:30 *Bishwa Jurey*
01:00 *Aj Potrikay*
01:30 Islamic Programme
03:40 *Griho Soily*
04:20 Heart Bit
05:10 Special Programme: *Bodho Bhumir Khojey*
05:30 Children's Programme
06:00 *Ajker Bangladesh*
06:35 *Shoptaho Jurey*
08:00 Special Programme:
10:00 Drama Serial: *Rupantor*
10:45 *Agamir Kontyo*
12:30 Media Bhuvan
02:30 Drama Serial: *Joba Kushum*

03:05 *Cinebit Shadakalo*
03:40 *Rupantor*
04:20 *Shurer Bhuvan*
05:00 *Ichhey Ghuri*
05:30 *Diner Sheshey*
06:30 *Mukti Judher Pata Thekey*
08:05 Drama Serial: *Dokhinayana*
09:20 Article Thirty-Nine
STAR PLUS
09:00 V First Day First Show-Starplu
09:30 Kumkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan
10:00 V Trailers - Star Plus

11:00 Shaka Laka Boom Boom
11:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii
V Trailers - Star Plus
12:00 Karam Apnaa Apnaa
12:30 Kasauti Zindagii Kay
01:00 Kumkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan
02:00 Bhabhi
02:30 Kesarthi
03:00 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi
03:30 Kahiin To Hoga
04:00 Karam Apnaa Apnaa
05:00 Hum Saath Aath

05:30 Hain
05:30 Antariksh
06:00 V Trailers - Star Plus
06:30 Aladdin
07:00 The Emperor's New Groove
07:30 Sonpuri
08:00 Karishma Kaa Karishma
08:30 Antariksh
09:00 Kasauti Zindagii Kay
09:30 Virasaat
10:00 Karam Apnaa Apnaa
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10:30 Kahiin To Hoga
12:00 Paraya Dhan

05:20 The Librarian
07:00 Librarian 2, The: Return To King
08:35 Mr. And Mrs. Smith
10:45 Method
12:20 An Unfinished Life
STAR WORLD
09:00 The Simpsons
09:30 The Oprah Winfrey Show
10:30 Ed
12:30 Grey's Anatomy
01:30 Law & Order: S.V.U.
02:30 Oprah Winfrey Show
03:30 The Bold And The Beautiful
04:30 General Hospital
05:30 Desire: Table For Three
06:30 The Simpsons
07:00 Cheers
07:30 Friends
08:00 Seinfeld
08:30 Hope & Faith
09:00 According To Jim
09:30 The Office
10:00 Special
10:30 The Scholar
11:30 Desire: Table For Three
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC
09:30 Foot ballers &Beauty Queens
10:30 From Heart Of Darkness
11:30 The Vanishing Tattoo
12:30 Sleeping Beauties
01:30 Latika Tiger Princess
02:30 Denali
03:30 Foot allers &Beauty

05:00 Nat Geo Genius
05:30 Big Bang
06:00 Nat Geo Junior
06:30 Footballers & Beauty Queens
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08:30 Mega Structures
09:30 Ideas Unlimited
10:30 Show Real Asia S3
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